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Dear Sir:

In response to the final rejection of September 6, 2005, please amend this application as follows: